

# Amateur TRW radio Club WB6WPO

## cross talk

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### MAY PROGRAM

WHEN: 27 May 1970, 1200 PDT  
 WHERE: R2/1055  
 WHAT: "High-Power Transmission at 800,000 Volts D.C."  
 WHO: Carl Osborne, W6RXP, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

### THE PREZ SEZ

By Ed Thornley (WA6JHD)

Plenty of activity to report this month. Our new QSL's have arrived and they are outstanding. Hopefully you will find a sample attached to this issue of the Cross Talk. To complete the sales pitch, we've included another order blank in this issue for those of you who want to obtain new cards.

In our last Cross Talk, we issued an appeal for volunteers to step into critical spots. Al Lee (W6KQI) offered his services as coordinator of a mobile emergency net. Those of you who want to get in, give Al a call. Our thanks to Al for volunteering.

We still need a QSL card manager and a delegate to the Los Angeles Council of Amateur Radio Clubs. My bell awaits your ring!

Bill Fisher (K6GZF and Bruce Wade (W6FKD) helped out with communications for the Newport-Ensenada Yacht Race. See Bruce's writeup inside.

THE PREZ SEZ (Continued)

Our two Field Day Co-Chairmen, Doug Heydon (WB6WDS) and Doug Freeman (WA6AZW) have found TRW company business seriously hampering their Field Day planning, so we asked our capable Treasurer Bill Dews (K6AWO) to step in as Field Day Manager Pro Tempore. Bill has lots of tasks and will be issuing requests for all kinds of help and equipment.

Field Day is scheduled for the last week-end in June, Saturday and Sunday the 27th and 28th. Circle this weekend on your calendar and plan on participating for all or part of the activities. We are shooting for first place this year. Can we do it?

73's

Ed

SECRETARY'S REPORT

By Al Lee (W6KQI), Acting Secretary

TRW/ARC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

May 15, 1970

The monthly meeting of the TRW Systems Amateur Radio Club Executive Board was called to order at 12:12 P.M. on Friday, May 15, 1970 in R6/1553. Those present were Ed Thornley, Bill McClellan, Bill Dews, Frank Halligan, Carl Rothrock, Ollie Saunders, Jerry Storkey and Al Lee.

Secretary Bill Thompson was not present so Al Lee took notes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. President Ed presented copies of the new QSL cards without the overprinting to all in attendance. The new cards have been sent to the printer to fill the first overprinting orders.
2. Vice President Bill McClellan reported the results of his investigations about EX-W6TRW, Dossie Haas. He apparently no longer lives in California. Bill said he would check with the Department of Motor Vehicles and Ed Thornley stated he would check with the FCC in Gettysburg.
3. A report by TRW/ARC clubmembers Bruce Wade and Bill Fisher was read describing their participation in a recent Newport Beach to Ensenada Yacht Race. They both operated XE2EBC in Ensenada. WB6RMA was their Newport Beach contact while WB6ULE was aboard the patrol boat that spent most of the time in San Diego for repairs. (Or was it Tijuana?)
4. Code Classes. Bill Dews reported that copies of the tapes in the shack have been made on mag. tape for later use.
5. Station Manager Jerry Starkey and President Ed Thornley will meet in the shack this week to determine exactly what needs to be done by the upcoming work party.

OLD BUSINESS (Continued)

6. As noted in last month's Cross Talk, our Los Angeles Council of Amateur Radio Clubs representative, Don Etheredge (K6UMV) has left the company. A new representative must be appointed. As there were no volunteers, again the plea goes out for someone to represent us at the alternate monthly meeting. Call Ed if interested.
7. John Rothrock promises the VHF transceivers will be ready for Field Day. Al Lee will contact Don Schweitzer for John's 6 meter G-50 for use as a back-up rig.
8. SEA Council Representative, Frank Halligan reported that the SEA Club Council Coordinator, Phil Siebold is terminating and the new Club Council Coordinator, Dave Forsyth was introduced.
9. No report from the Lockheed ARC hamfest so I guess there were no winners among the group of us that had tickets.
10. President Ed Thornley reported that the secretary for the Sports Car Rallye Club recommended Pacific Athletic Suppliers for our club jackets and insignia. The price should be around \$6.50 for the jacket and \$2.00 for the emblem.
11. Field Day. Due to the work loads of the co-chairmen Doug Heydon and Doug Freeman, a new FD chairman was requested. Our able and devoted treasurer Bill Dews "volunteered" and came forth with many plans and appointments that spells assured success. Tentatively, arrangements are in process to use the parking lot of the Chadwick School near P.V. Drive North and Crenshaw Blvd., Palos Verdes Peninsula. Publicity is to be handled by Ed Thornley and Bill Fisher. Bill McClellan has made arrangements for use of a 15KW generator mounted on a trailer but needs someone with a trailer hitch to move it to the site. Ollie Saunders will again handle the food situation. Remember "Warning - Men Cooking"? A motion was made (Starkey), seconded (Saunders) that the TRW/ARC treasury will cover all field day expenses up to a maximum of \$100.00. Motion carried!

Chairman Dews wants to have four stations operating simultaneously instead of six because of the minimal number of contacts on 6 & 2 meters. A field day dinner meeting was scheduled for Thursday, May 21, R5 Cafeteria immediately following work.

Meeting adjourned 1305.

Respectfully,

Al Lee (W6KQI)

## NEWS AND NOTES

### CLUB JACKETS

Your Executive Committee has discussed the possibility of obtaining jackets for members who might want a neat way of identifying themselves in club activities. We have in mind a light-weight windbreaker with a large club patch on the back, and name and call on the front. The Rallye Club has similar jackets and they are nice. We figure that less than 10 bucks per person would give us a nice jacket for Field Day, Family Day or other ham activities. Do we have an artist in the club who can design an appropriate patch?

### CLUB CERTIFICATES

Just a reminder to you paper hangers and certificate hunters. The TRW club issues a handsome certificate to any individual who works any five TRW club members, including the club station WB6WPO. This certificate is available to members and non-members alike. So please mention it on your QSO's. All we need for an application is a simple log of station contacted, operator's name, date, time and band. Shoot the dope in to me at R5/2174 and I'll see to it that the certificate is promptly prepared and mailed.

### FIELD DAY 1969 QSL's

We have been disappointed at the response from 126 QSL's we mailed for Field Day 1969. So far, we've confirmed 37 states. We did work all fifty states and could be eligible for the ARRL Worked-All States certificate, but until those last 13 cards show up, we are out of luck. Sure hope we can do better this year.

### WANT ADS

Another reminder that our Cross Talk carries member-type want ads for free! That's got to be one of the best deals in town for you members who want to sell, buy, trade old and new gear and goodies. We exchange our Cross Talk with many other clubs in the greater Los Angeles area so the circulation is greater than you think. Write up your ad and mail it to Doug Heydon, our Cross Talk Editor at M3/2087 and Doug will get it in the next issue.

### LITERARY SOLICITATIONS

If you have a yen to write, and have something to write about, the Cross Talk welcomes your contribution. We do have difficulty stuffing these pages at times and it would be nice to run something refreshing for a change. How about some irate letters to the Editor?

NEWS AND NOTES (Continued)

FREE GOODIES

I have a small quantity of Electromagnetic Spectrum Charts, courtesy of IRC Division of TRW Electronics and some resistor/inductor color code decoders, courtesy of Airco/Speer. You may have one or the other just for the asking - no box tops required. Call me at 62845.

NEW MEMBER

We want to extend a hearty welcome to Gordon Hammers (W6BYY) our newest associate member. Gordon has been licensed for 19 years, has an Extra Class License and is active on both CW and SSB on 80 through 10 meters. Gordon is an EMI filter specialist with the Potter Company, Inglewood, California.

CONVENTIONEER

Claude Malott (W6NYC) and his XYL attended the combined Pacific-Southwestern Division Convention in Fresno May 16 - 17. Claude reports a fine convention and he even won a door prize - a Balun Coil.

SHACK WORKING PARTY

Jerry Starkey will be looking for help at the WB6WPO shack on Saturday June 6 and again the 13th. Stand by to give a hand when Jerry calls you!

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Ed

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Bill Dews (K6AWO)

Balance on Hand 1 April 1970		\$258.73
<u>Receipts</u>		
SEA Allotment	\$ 53.00	
Door Prize Tickets	6.50	
QSL Cards	20.50	
Dues	6.00	
	<u>\$ 86.00</u>	<u>86.00</u>
	Cash Available	\$344.73
<u>Expenses</u>		
Door Prizes	10.00	<u>10.00</u>
Balance on Hand 30 April 1970		\$334.73

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LOCATION:            CHADWICK SCHOOL GROUNDS, PALOS VERDES

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

CHAIRMAN:	BILL DEWS (K6AWO)
ANTENNA SYSTEMS:	BILL MC CLELLAN (W6VB)
OPERATING GEAR:	HERB GLEED (W6FQ)
FACILITIES:	AL LEE (W6KQI)
PERSONNEL:	FRANK HALLIGAN (WB6GBC)
FOOD:	OLLIE SAUNDERS (W1BJV/6)
LOGS:	ED THORNLEY (WA6JHD)
SITE:	DOUG HEYDON (WB6WDS)
PHOTOGRAPHY AND PUBLICITY:	BILL FISHER (K6GZF)
POWER:	BILL MC CLELLAN (W6VB)

ALL OF THE FIELD DAY COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL NEED A HELPING HAND. PICK A SPOT YOU CAN ASSIST IN AND GIVE THE MAN A CALL!

A SPECIAL FIELD DAY BULLETIN WILL BE MAILED TO ALL MEMBERS EARLY IN JUNE. KEEP AN EYE PEELED FOR IT.

WB41CJ OPERATION

By Al Lee (W6KQI)

Again, following the successful liftoff of another Apollo, it was pleasure to take part in the operation of WB41CJ, the Space Center Amateur Radio Station.

The decision was made to operate the 2KW Collins gear with quad antenna on 15 meters. The club's huge 20 meter beam was down for rotator repairs, so wasn't available for this event. A hastily erected 15 meter vertical was used for 15 CW and dipoles were used on 40 and 20 meters.

I had the pleasure (??) of operating a Heathkit SB101 barefoot on 20 with a dipole. With this setup, I heard the most unbelievable pileups from all sections, but W6 land. I couldn't believe it when I stood by for W6's and only a few came back. I was hoping to work many of you but conditions just weren't right. I did read many familiar calls in the 15 meter log so I'm glad some got through.

I worked WB41CJ on 2 meter FM and slightly shook them up when I gave them my call. The most exciting contact was when someone asked if I was the operator on the Queen Mary? I said, "Roger, how did you know?". He said he recognized my voice. Gee, that was almost 2½ years ago.

Incidentally, I have a new Heathkit 2 meter AM and FM at my QTH in San Pedro. Also, my WB41CJ certificate for Apollo 13 arrived Saturday.

73's

Al Lee

NEWPORT - ENSENADA COMMUNICATIONS

On Thursday, April 30, Bill Fisher (K6GZF) and Bruce Wade (W6FKD) made their way from TRW to Ensenada, Mexico, to help with communications for the 23rd Annual Newport to Ensenada Yacht Race. A station was set up for them in the Hotel Bahia by the Ensenada Amateur Radio Club XE2EBC. Contact was made on 40M with WB6RMA as the Newport base station. Schedules were kept with Newport every one-half hour throughout the daylight hours.

540 boats left Newport Thursday noon. At 11 P.M. Thursday night the committee boat reached Ensenada. Contact was established on VHF with the boys at the Bahia. Contact was also made with the escort boat WB6ULE but it spent most of its time in San Diego for repairs. Oh, Well.

At 1:15 P.M. Friday, the first sail boat reached Ensenada and for the next 24 hours XE2EBC was very busy receiving results of the 474 boats (that made it) from the committee boat, giving them to the gals for handicap computations and then, in turn, relaying the results back to Newport. In between, there were lost husbands, missed rides, a heart attack, boat capsized, boat adrift, and a fire just to keep Bill and Bruce in the Radio Room and off the streets.

NEWPORT - ENSENADA COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)

By Saturday night the trophies were presented, the newsmen had their stories filed, and the rigs were turned off.

Would you believe....on the way home, Bill and Bruce didn't even turn on the mobile rig. Maybe after a little more sleep they will call another CQ?

Bruce (W6FKD)

ARRL OFFICIAL BULLETIN

NR273            21 May 70

In connection with FCC Docket 18803, Proposed VAF repeater rules, the commission has extended to June 15 the deadline for comments at ARRL request. The deadline for reply comments is similarly extended to July 7. The text of Docket 18803 as well as the report of the ARRL VHF Repeater Advisory Committee appears in the April issue of QST.

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